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Councilmember Yvette M. Alexander Releases Statement about the Status of River Terrace Elementary

(Washington, D.C.) – Councilmember Yvette M. Alexander made the following statement regarding the decision on River Terrace Elementary school:

“I am pleased to announce that River Terrace Elementary School will stay open for another school year. DCPS was very receptive to the feedback and concerns of parents, staff, students and community members of Ward 7. After working diligently with Mayor Vincent Gray and Interim Chancellor Kaya Henderson, we accomplished a great victory, but the fight isn’t over yet.

The decision to keep River Terrace Elementary open did not come lightly. There are still concerns about the DCPS budget to maintain the school as well as the low-enrollment of students. We must continue to work hard to prove how vital the school is to the community and take advantage of this opportunity to encourage growth at River Terrace Elementary. Together, we can ensure that our prize school stays open for years to come.

Again, I want to thank all of you for rallying together to keep River Terrace elementary open for another year. Let’s continue to work together to move Ward 7 onward and upward.”

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